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TITLE OF INVENTION: NOVEL HOT-FILAMENT CHEMICAL VAPOR DEPOSITION CHAMBER AND PROCESS WITH MULTIPLE GAS INLETS

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 11-19 and 25-29 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The closest art known to the Examiner is listed on the attached PTO 892 form. None of the cited references or combinations thereof disclose or suggest an apparatus for the deposition of thin film material comprising at least one gas inlet adjacent the dense filament for introducing at least one gas into the evacuated confinement cup through the inlet; and at least one gas inlet spaced apart from the dense filament for introducing at least one gas into the evacuated confinement cup through the inlet as required by the presently claimed invention. Therefore, Claims 11-19 and 25-29 are allowable over the cited prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alexander G. Ghyka whose telephone number is (571) 272-1669. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, from 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM, Wednesday off.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John F Niebling can be reached on (703) 308-3325. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0956.

AGG January 22, 2004 ALEXANDER GHYKA PRIMARY EXAMINER